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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Prices were lower on all sizes in Chicago. Elsewhere, prices were generally unchanged. The market tone was mixed, but was mostly weak entering the weekend. Retail demand was usually light to occasionally moderate. Supplies were sufficient to ample for trade needs. Breaking stock demand remained light for adequate to ample offerings. Light type fowl were fully sufficient for the light demand. Processing schedules for next week were reported as normal.

**NORTH ATLANTIC** In Boston, prices were unchanged to 3 cents lower on the larger sizes and unchanged to 2 cents lower on mediums. Elsewhere, prices were unchanged. The market tone was weak entering the weekend. Demand was usually light to occasionally moderate. Supplies were adequate to instances ample for trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings were adequate to ample for the light demand. Breaking schedules were mostly normal for next week. Light type fowl were fully adequate for the light demand. Processing schedules were reported as normal for the upcoming week.

**NEW YORK** Prices were unchanged on all sizes. The market tone was unsettled to weak entering the weekend. Retail and distributive demand was mostly light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to ample for current trade needs.

**MIDWEST** Prices to producers in Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin were 3 cents lower for large and medium and down 1 cent for small. Other reported prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady to weak. Retail demand was usually slow to at times moderate. Food service movement was moderate to fairly good. Supplies were adequate for jumbo and adequate to ample on the balance. Central states nest run breaking stock prices were unchanged to lower with checks and undergrades lower. Demand remained light with buyers and sellers disagreeing on current breaking stock values. Most breakers continued to work from regular commitments while bidding lower values for outside loads. Offerings were adequate or available. Floor stocks adequate to fully adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment mostly weak.

**CHICAGO** Prices for all sizes declined 3 cents. The trade sentiment was barely steady to weak. Demand into all outlets mixed. Offerings adequate to ample.

**SOUTHERN** Prices were unchanged. Asking prices for next week's deliveries were trending sharply lower on all sizes. The market tone was mostly weak entering the weekend. Demand was usually light to at times moderate. Supplies were adequate to ample for current needs. Breaking stock demand was light for sufficient to ample offerings. Light type fowl were fully adequate for the light demand.

**WESTERN** Prices unchanged. The market tone was weak with asking prices throughout the region 4 cents lower on jumbo through medium. Retailer demand light to mainly moderate. Offerings easily adequate.

*\*Correction for August 12, 2002, OR-WASH-UT% CHANGE SHOULD HAVE READ UP 9\**

**PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.**

NORTHEAST CITIES	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
Boston (Brown)	102-108	93-99	56-65
New York	67-71	65-69	38-42
Philadelphia	65-73	64-71	37-45
SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	63-70	61-64	34-37
Jackson (1)	71-73	65-67	39-41
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	71-85	66-79	40-52
MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	56-60	54-58	28-32
Detroit (2)	56-61	55-59	32-36
Major Ohio Cities (2)	58-62	57-60	31-34
Major Wisconsin Cities	59-66	58-64	32-37
WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	78-81	75-77	49-51
Southern California (Grade AA)(4)	81-93	79-82	52-55
California (Grade AA) (1) (3)	103	92	65
(1) - Prices reported weekly	(2) - Delivered Warehouse		
(3) - Reported Invoice prices	(4) - Prices To Retailers		

**CALIFORNIA EGGS** Prices unchanged. The market tone was weak with asking prices for next week 4 cents lower on all sizes. Retailer demand light to moderate. Offerings easily adequate. Small benchmark price 45. Ads in Southern California: smaller outlets- large dozen 99, medium 20 pack 89.

**CALIFORNIA:** California Egg Marketing Association and other marketers benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

RANGE
JUMBO
EXTRA LARGE
LARGE
MEDIUM

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA: PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.**

RANGE
JUMBO
EXTRA LARGE
LARGE
MEDIUM

**PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.**

RANGE
JUMBO
LARGE
LARGE
MEDIUM

**CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK** Nest run breaking stock prices were unchanged to lower with checks and undergrades lower. Demand remained light with buyers and sellers disagreeing on current breaking stock values. Most breakers continued to work from regular commitments while bidding lower values for outside loads. Offerings were adequate or available. Floor stocks adequate to fully adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment mostly weak.

PRICES PAID TO 11:00 A.M., MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
NEST RUN	33-36
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	18-23
CENTRAL STATES AREA:	
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI	

**EASTERN REGION BREAKING STOCK** Mostly prices were unchanged when compared to early week's trading. Trade sentiment was mixed, usually ranging cautiously steady to weak, as traders monitor market developments. Supplies were adequate to ample from regular suppliers. Floor stocks were sufficient for mostly normal breaking schedules. Demand was light and unaggressive. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for week ending August 10, 2002 were 1% more than the previous week, but 1% lower than last year.

CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
NEST RUN	33-38	35-37
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	18-25	20-23
EASTERN REGION AREA:		
AL,CT,DE,FL,GA,KY,ME,MD,MA,MS,NH,NJ,NY,NC,PA,RI,SC,TN,VT,VA,WV		

**EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION** - W/E -09-Aug-02 (LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED
CW	1,262,748	29,313	11,342	5,992	2,712	4,368
PW	1,222,185	29,686	10,336	5,517	2,471	4,265
LY	1,218,286	27,823	11,535	5,797	2,687	4,390
% CHG PW	3	-1	10	9	10	2
% CHG LY	4	5	-2	3	1	-1
2002	38,230,711	888,379	371,850	199,829	91,394	135,804
2001	36,382,733	826,549	366,911	197,674	79,325	130,340
% CHG YTD	5	7	1	1	15	4

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK	LAST YEAR
AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -			
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	40.40	40.75	40.67
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	36.94	37.26	37.06

**NATIONAL LIQUID** Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 76.50 to 80 cents fob with no pasteurized whites reported. Trade sentiment was about steady for all products at current reported price levels. Offerings were adequate or available for all liquid products with whites reported as at times fully adequate. Interest in additional product centered around immediate needs with demand for non-contractual loads rated as lackluster. Buyers interested in fourth quarter business were meeting serious resistance. Breaking stock prices ranged lower when compared to last week's reported prices. Prices paid cents per lb., FOB Plant to 10:00AM Friday 16 August, 2002 non-pasteurized trucklot. For delivery within 14 days.

CLASS	LOADS	RANGE	WTD. AVG.	CHANGE FROM LAST WEEK
WHOLE	9	31-35.25	32.53	-1.01
WHITES	23	9.5-16.5	11.63	.35
YOLKS	10	78-80	78.85	-.48

**EASTERN REGION FROZEN** Mostly prices were unchanged to slightly lower on yolks and unchanged on the balance of products when compared to previous week's trading. The market tone was steady to barely steady with some caution noted. Demand was light to fair and centered on immediate needs. Supplies were generally adequate for trade requirements. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending August 10, 2002 were 7% less than the previous week, but 52% higher than a year ago.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS)			
	TRUCKLOTS		LTL
(MIN. 25 CONT.)	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE
WHOLE	42-50	46-47	53-57
BLENDS (/)	TFEWR		70-85
WHITES	22-32	22-25	27-45
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	84-88	84-87	90-94
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	79-84	81-82	86-91
(/) - WHOLE PLUS YOLK PLUS SWEETENER, GENERALLY 28-32% EGG SOLIDS.			

**CENTRAL REGION FROZEN** Frozen whole egg prices were irregular with whites and sugared yolk ranging unchanged. Salt yolk ranged 1 cent lower when compared to last week's reported prices. Trade sentiment was cautiously steady to barely steady for whole egg, steady for whites and sugared yolk and barely steady for salted yolk. Offerings were adequate with demand outside of regular commitments limited. Most sellers were resisting lower prices as buyers attempt to fulfill fourth quarter needs. Breaking stock prices were unchanged to slightly lower compared to last week's reported prices.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS)		
	TRUCKLOTS	
	RANGE	MOSTLY
WHOLE	45-48	45-47
WHITES	22-32	22-24
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	84-88	84-86
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	79-82	

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN** Prices unchanged on whites, 1 cent lower on whole and yolks. Southern California breaking activity for the week ending 8/10 was 3% more than the previous week. Light weight breaking stock continued readily available. Frozen demand moderate and freezer stocks ample.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, FOB SHIPPING POINT (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS)

	RANGE
CONTAINERS)	
WHOLE	52-55
WHITES	28-31
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	90-93
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	86-89

**NATIONAL DRIED EGG REPORT** Prices were lower for whole, unchanged to lower on albumen, and unchanged on the balance of products when compared to last week's trading. The market tone was barely steady. Supplies were at least adequate with whites in the longest position. Demand was light to fair with buyers attempting to secure product for end of year ends. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending August 10, 2002 were 10% higher than the previous week and 1% more than the same week last year. The overall total dried egg year to date percent change was 15% higher than a year ago.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, DOLLARS PER LB., IN CONTAINERS, TRUCKLOT AND LESS-THAN-TRUCKLOT VOLUMES.		
WHOLE	1.60-1.95	MOSTLY 1.64-1.75
YOLKS	1.95-2.20	MOSTLY 2.05-2.15
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	1.60-2.00	MOSTLY 1.65-1.75
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.25-1.35	

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR AUGUST 09, 2002-AUGUST 15, 2002

CURRENT LOADS								FUTURE LOADS								TOTAL LOADS							
91.00								63.25								154.25							
SE				NE		MW		SC				NW		SW									
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS								
GNR W 1	46.00	49.13	45.00	47.63	43.50	42.00	32.00	GNR BR 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00								
GNR W 2	—	43.00	—	—	39.00	—	1.00	GL W J	63.00	—	—	—	—	69.00	.50								
GNR W 3	—	—	—	—	32.50	34.50	2.00	GL W XL	51.00	49.71	—	—	—	54.76	18.50								
GNR W 4	—	—	—	—	37.00	37.50	4.00	GL W LG	49.00	46.44	—	—	—	49.93	28.25								
GL W XL	—	57.85	55.00	56.54	44.11	—	44.25	GL W MD	23.59	26.29	—	—	—	30.41	13.00								
GL W LG	—	58.00	—	47.21	39.82	—	32.50	GL BR XL	51.00	—	—	—	—	59.00	1.00								
GL W MD	21.00	—	20.67	22.17	22.95	28.50	15.25	GL BR LG	51.00	—	—	—	—	59.00	1.00								
GL W SM	—	—	20.75	23.50	21.00	—	2.00	NRBS - 45	25.00	—	—	—	—	—	1.00								
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	36.00	—	36.56	34.00	NRBS - 42	24.00	—	—	—	—	—	1.00								
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	—	28.00	1.00	NRBS - 39	18.00	21.67	—	—	—	—	3.00								
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	—	28.00	1.00	NRBS - 36	18.00	20.00	—	—	—	—	2.00								
NRBS - 39	—	—	16.08	18.08	16.50	25.11	19.25																

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT-MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED. LOAD MOVEMENT REPRESENTS TOTAL MOVEMENT WITHIN 6 REGIONS.

**EASTERN REGION LIGHT LIVE HEN** Prices were unchanged. Offerings were fully adequate for trade needs. Demand was light and generally unaggressive. Processings schedules for next week were reported as normal. Movement of finished product was moderate with offerings at least sufficient. The undertone was steady.

**SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN** Negotiations were too few to report. Demand was light for fully adequate offerings of leghorn fowl. Schedules were full at processing plants. Finished product was easily secured. Trade sentiment was barely steady.

**NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN** Prices unchanged. Demand improved and was reported as moderate to fairly good with offerings somewhat limited for current production schedules. Rendering operations had slightly lowered fees hoping to catch producers attention. Slaughter schedules just full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

**WEST COAST LIGHT** Plant schedules light to moderate. Offerings ample.

**LIVE TYPE HENS**

Cents Per LB., Day Of Negotiation, Generally For Slaughter Within The Next 10 Days.

Eastern Light	0-0	(1)
Eastern Light	0-0	(2)
So. Central Light	TFEWR*	(2)
No. Central Light	TFEWR*	(1)
No. Central Light	0	(2)

(1) Buyer Loading (2) Producer Loading

\*TOO FEW TO REPORT

**SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA** FOR WEEK ENDING 16-Aug-02  
AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A  
LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED  
STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	70.92	69.06	42.18
SOUTHERN	71.76	66.98	40.26
MIDWEST	60.32	58.62	33.24
WESTERN	91.67	83.97	57.09
TWELVE METRO AREAS	75.98	71.78	45.30
COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WEEKLY AVERAGES WEIGHTED BY METROPOLITAN AREA POPULATIONS			

**NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET** Majority prices were slightly lower on heavy canners unchanged to lower on lights when compared to a week earlier. Offerings were fully adequate on both heavy and light canners. Demand was moderate at best for the generally light seasonally needs. The undertone was steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
20-26 MAJORITY 20-21	28-36 MAJORITY 30-32
CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED	
LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
22-27.5 MAJORITY 22-23	29-38 MAJORITY 31-32.5

\*\*\*NOTICE\*\*\*

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION**

**NOT AVAILABLE AT TIME OF PUBLICATION**

**Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade****U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending August 03, 2002		Year-To-Date	
	2002	2001 /1	2002 2001
Liquid	249	237	11,014 6,621
Frozen	0	0	21 78
Dried	0	0	327 40
Total	249	237	11,362 6,739

**U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending August 03, 2002		Year-To-Date	
	2002	2001/1	2002 2001
Liquid	124	127	3,901 3,192
Frozen	111	43	2,175 811
Dried	87	0	3,292 325
Total	322	170	9,368 4,328

**Inspected Shell Eggs****U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

Week Ending August 03, 2002		Year-To-Date	
	2002	2001 /1	2002 2001
Jumbo	0	0	1,160 87
Extra Large	2,226	1,911	17,963 32,217
Large	3,718	3,758	73,303 73,566
Medium	930	300	30,420 28,648
Ungraded	5,520	8,850	183,305 216,770
Misc	0	3,750	13,062 56,529
Total	12,394	18,569	319,213 407,817

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch in cooperation with Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division.

**IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN** PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, LOOSE, AT FARM (CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS).

CENTS PER DOZEN	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	35-38	10-14	5-8

**NEW ENGLAND** PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, BROWN EGGS LOOSE, AT FARM CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
117-120	83-86	74-77	37-40	19-22

**DETROIT** PRICES TO FIRST RECEIVERS, CASES INCLUDED, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, 30 DOZEN CASES, WHITE EGGS LOOSE. CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
62-72	56-59	53-58	29-33	23-27

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS**-SELECTED STGE CENTERS (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	FREGS	TURKS	POP
	LBS	LBS	LBS
AM 08/12/02	1,949	215,851	76,224
AM 08/01/02	2,024	215,685	75,870
CHG	-75	166	354
PCT CHG	-4%	0%	0%

**MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS**

W/E 10-Aug-02

SELECTED	CW	PW	PCT CHG
CONSUMING CENTERS	THOUSANDS	PW	LY
ATLANTA	18.9	18.3	3 -16
BOSTON	3.5	3.8	-8 -3
CHICAGO	49.7	52.3	-5 -15
DETROIT	23.6	26.4	-11 0
KANSAS CITY	3.5	4.0	-13 -8
LOS ANGELES	85.7	89.3	-4 -24
NEW ORLEANS	11.6	12.5	-7 43
NEW YORK	30.0	33.5	-10 -13
ST. LOUIS	15.5	14.2	9 -21
SAN FRANCISCO	22.2	22.3	0 -3
TOTAL	264.2	276.6	-4 -15
4 WK MVG AVG	265.7		

**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT**

W/E 10-Aug-02

(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	230.5	1	7
E.N. CENTRAL	564.6	-1	11
W.N. CENTRAL	269.3	-4	-1
S. ATLANTIC	176.3	-1	-4
S. CENTRAL	80.7	2	7
WEST	179.4	-5	-9
TOTAL	1500.8	-2	3

MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING 87 86

**NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG** REPORT, AUGUST 13, 2002. PRICES PAID PER DOZEN GRADE A BROWN EGGS IN CARTONS DELIVERED STORE DOOR.

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MAINE	120	111	77	58
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	113-117	104-108	69-73	50-54
MOSTLY	115-116	106-107	71-72	52-53
RHODE ISLAND	119-123	110-114	76-80	57-61
MOSTLY	119	110	76	57
VERMONT	120-123	114-115	79-80	-
MOSTLY	123	114	80	-

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